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**Sent:** 1/29/2018 9:49:32 AM  
**To:** Zullo, Robert [RZullo@timesdispatch.com]  
**Subject:** RE: [External] Acp mitigation fund

Hi Robert--thanks for reaching out to our office. Please feel free to use the statement below:

"The fund was negotiated separate from the issuance of the permit, which was done by DEQ after thorough review and five requests for additional information. The fund is intended to be used for mitigation, renewable energy and rural development."

Thanks,  
Jamal

-----Original Message-----

From: Zullo, Robert [mailto:RZullo@timesdispatch.com]  
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2018 7:42 AM  
To: Governor's Press Office <govpress@nc.gov>  
Subject: [External] Acp mitigation fund

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Hi. Sorry to bother you on Saturday , but I'm a reporter with the Richmond Times-Dispatch who has been covering the pipeline permitting and I had a few questions about the mitigation MOU.  
-was this agreement tied in any way to the 401 approval issued on the same day it was announced ? In other words, did the Cooper administration agree to issue the 401 in exchange for ACP agreeing to pay the money ?  
- How was the amount determined ?  
- will of the money go toward the cost of inspections/ ensuring compliance with environmental permits during and after pipeline construction?

Thanks for your time

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